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Dear Mr. Brown:

On behalf of the Texas Workers' Compensation Commission (the "commission"), you ask us to reconsider Open Records Letter No. 97-2255 (1997). Your request for reconsideration was assigned ID# 112727.

In previous decisions, this office concluded that petitions filed with a court for judicial review of appeals panel decisions are not confidential under chapter 402 of the Labor Code in conjunction with section 552.101 of the Government Code.[1] The initial ruling, Open Records Letter No. 97-0336 (1997), was issued on February 13, 1997. Moreover, in Open Records Letter No. 97-1609 (1997), we concluded that the commission could not withhold the information under section 552.103 of the Government Code. You ask that we reconsider our conclusion regarding section 552.103.

We have reviewed your arguments against disclosure but find that they do not merit a reversal of our previous rulings. Therefore, we affirm our conclusion that section 552.103 of the Government Code does not except the records from required public disclosure. We urge you to comply with our rulings without further delay. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact our office.

Yours very truly,

Sandra L. Coaxum, C.P.A.
Chief, Open Records Division

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[1] Open Records Letter Nos. 97-1645 (1997), 97-1629 (1997), 97-1609 (1997), 97-1109 (1997), 97-0337 (1997), 97-0336 (1997).

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